

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A data editing apparatus for reediting edited data composed of a combination of a plurality of partial data extracted from at least one material data, which is used in combination with a data recording/reproducing apparatus capable of recording/reproducing the material data and edited data by using a nonlinear-accessible recording medium, the data editing apparatus comprising:

providing means for providing the edited data for reediting;

controlling means for controlling the data recording/reproducing apparatus so as to reproduce material data containing at least the partial data to be reedited in synchronization with an operation for changing a specified start or end point of the partial data, when the start point or the end point of the partial data of the edited data to be reedited is specified; and

editing means for reediting the edited data in accordance with a determining operation, for determining a new start or end point, the determining operation being performed while the material data is being reproduced in synchronization with the operation for changing the specified start or the end point of the partial data; and

an external control panel having manually operable elements for controlling said editing means for reediting in the absence of a graphical user interface.

2. (Original) A data editing apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising managing means for managing location information which represents location of the partial data in the material data,

wherein, when the start point or the end point of the partial data to be reedited is specified, the controlling means replaces the location information regarding to at least either the specified start or end point of the partial data by the start or end point of the material data, and controls the data recording/reproducing apparatus so as to reproduce the material data containing at least the partial data to be reedited in synchronization with operation for changing on the basis of the location information replaced, and

the editing means controls the managing means so as to change the location information managed by the managing means in accordance with the determining operation.

3. (Original) A data editing apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising a console having:

a specifying member for specifying the start point or the end point of the partial data to be reedited, and

a changing operation member capable of performing operation for changing the specified start or end point of the partial data.

4. (Original) A data editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the editing means can operate in a plurality of edit modes, and the console further has an edit mode select switch for selecting the edit mode.

5. (Original) A data editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the material data contains at least either video data or audio data.

6. (Original) A data editing method for reediting edited data composed of a combination of a plurality of partial data extracted from at least one material data, which is used in combination with a data recording/reproducing apparatus capable of recording/reproducing the material data and edited data by using a nonlinear-accessible recording medium, the method comprising the steps of:

providing the edited data for reediting;

providing an external control panel having manually operable elements for controlling said editing means for reediting in the absence of a graphical user interface;

controlling the data recording/reproducing apparatus so as to reproduce material data containing at least the partial data to be reedited in synchronization with an operation for changing a specified start or end point of the partial data, when the start point or the end point of the partial data of the edited data to be reedited is specified; and

reediting the edited data in accordance with a determining operation, for determining a new start or end point, the determining operation being performed while the material data is being reproduced in synchronization with operation for changing the specified start or the end point of the partial data.

7. (Currently Amended) A data recording/reproducing apparatus capable of reediting edited data composed of a combination of a plurality of partial data extracted from at least one material data, comprising:

providing means for providing the edited data for reediting;

recording/reproducing means for recording/reproducing the material data and the edited data by using a nonlinear-accessible recording medium;

controlling means for controlling the recording/reproducing means so as to reproduce material data containing at least a part of the plurality of partial data to be reedited in synchronization with an operation for changing a specified start or end point of the partial data, when the start point or the end point of the partial data of the edited data to be reedited is specified; and

editing means for reediting the edited data in accordance with a determining operation, for determining a new start or end point, the determining operation being performed while the material data is being reproduced in synchronization with operation for changing the specified start or the end point of the partial data; and

an external control panel having manually operable elements for controlling said editing means for reediting in the absence of a graphical user interface.

8-21 (Cancelled)

22. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the external device is a stand-alone control panel incorporating at least part of the apparatus' functions therein.

23. (New) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the external device is a stand-alone control panel incorporating at least part of the apparatus' functions therein; wherein the functions comprise

reediting,

recording/reproducing the material data and the edited data by using a nonlinear-accessible recording medium, and

changing the specified start or the end point of the partial data.

24. (New) The method of claim 6, wherein the external device is a stand-alone control panel incorporating at least part of the apparatus' functions therein.

25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the functions comprise

reediting,

recording/reproducing the material data and the edited data by using a nonlinear-accessible recording medium, and

changing the specified start or the end point of the partial data.

26. (New) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein the external device is a stand-alone control panel incorporating at least part of the apparatus' functions therein.

27. (New) The apparatus of claim 26 wherein the functions comprise

reediting,

recording/reproducing the material data and the edited data by using a nonlinear-accessible recording medium, and

changing the specified start or the end point of the partial data.